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## European Union Promotions

In January 1999 the European Union (EU) announced an annual 15 million euro budget to fund initiatives promoting EU agricultural products in non-EU markets. Up to this time promotional activities had been limited to olive oil and fiber flax.

A regulation to set up the framework for promotional schemes was published in December 1999. The regulation states the promotions should focus mainly on the quality, hygiene, food safety, nutrition, labeling, animal welfare or environment-friendliness of the products concerned.

Funding is covered in a regulation published in December 2000 and allows the implementation of the previous regulation. The Commission, for most approved projects, will cover 50 percent of the funding, the member state will cover 20 percent and the trade organization the remaining 30 percent. This first year Member States must submit programs by May 15, thereafter the deadline is April 30. The Commission must make a decision by September 30 at the latest on each submission.

Quality poultry meat is one of the products which may be covered by promotion measures. Third country markets where promotion measures may be carried out are: Switzerland, Norway, Central and Eastern Europe, Russia, Japan, China, South Korea, South-East Asia, India, Middle East, North Africa, Republic of South Africa, North America, Latin America, Australia and New Zealand.

Source: USDA/Foreign Agricultural Service and the Official Journal of the European Communities, Commission Regulation (EC) No 2879/2000 of 28 December 2000

## JAPANESE FROZEN EGG IMPORTS (IN TONS)

Month	Frozen Whole Eggs	Frozen Yolks	Frozen Albumen	Total
1999				
July	146.2	694.3	450.0	1,290.5
August	139.2	592.7	307.9	1,039.8
September	129.6	774.3	349.8	1,253.7
October	231.6	1,328.2	232.3	1,792.1
1999 To-Date	1,675.3	7,972.6	3,300.3	12,948.2
2000				
July	173.5	886.4	335.9	1,395.8
August	198.3	1,015.0	444.0	1,657.3
September	185.1	951.5	506.5	1,643.1
October	275.9	1,172.3	355.4	1,803.6
2000 To-Date	2,017.0	10,699.4	3,725.9	16,442.3

Source: ALIC Monthly Statistics

## Draft FTAA Text Completed

US Trade Representative (USTR) Charlene Barshefsky announced on 17 January that the nine Free Trade Area of the Americas (FTAA) negotiating groups have completed an initial draft FTAA text. According to Barshefsky, this would realistically mean that talks could be concluded in 2003, two years ahead of schedule. The USTR has also released summaries of US negotiating positions in the FTAA talks. The draft text will be presented to trade ministers meeting in Buenos Aires on 6-7 April and will be the basis for further negotiations.

The nine FTAA negotiating groups cover market access; agriculture; services; investment; intellectual property; government procurement; subsidies; antidumping and countervailing measures; competition policy and dispute settlement.

In related news, Caribbean leaders on 26 January asked Canadian Prime Minister Jean Chretien to help ensure that small countries in the Americas will not be at a disadvantage when the FTAA is created in 2-4 years. Presidents and Prime Ministers of the Caribbean Community are concerned that the region's economies could be damaged if their integration into the new trading arrangement is not properly managed.

The Canadian leader is seeking full Caribbean participation in a hemispheric summit scheduled for Quebec City on 20-22 April, where the FTAA will be a major topic of discussion.

Source: BRIDGES Weekly Trade News Digest

## EU Decision on Fishmeal In Feed

The European Commission adopted a decision to authorize the feeding of fishmeal to animals other than ruminants only in accordance with certain conditions.

Fishmeal must be produced in processing plants dedicated only to fishmeal production and transported directly from the processing plants to the plants manufacturing animal feed. Feed containing fishmeal can only be produced in establishments manufacturing animal feed which do not prepare feed for ruminant animals. However, exceptions may be made under certain conditions, such as when the transport and storage of feed for ruminant animals is completely separate from other feed and the storage, transport, manufacturing and packaging facilities for compound feed destined to ruminant animals are completely separate.

Feed containing fishmeal must be labeled 'it contains fishmeal - cannot be fed to ruminant animals'. The use and storage of feed containing fishmeal, other than pet food, is generally prohibited on farms where ruminant animals are kept.

Source: Official Journal of the European Communities, Commission Decision of 29 December 2000

**Inspected Egg Products-U.S. & Canada Export/Import Trade**  
**U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Week Ending Jan 13, 2001	Year-To-Date			
	2001	2000/1	2001	2000
Liquid	108	256	199	307
Frozen	0	0	0	0
Dried	0	0	0	0
Total	108	256	199	307

**U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Week Ending Jan 13, 2001	Year-To-Date			
	2001	2000/1	2001	2000
Liquid	59	80	67	159
Frozen	18	1	21	7
Dried	25	82	25	82
Total	102	163	113	248

**Inspected Shell Eggs**
**U.S Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)**

Week Ending Jan 13, 2001	Year-To-Date			
	2001	2000/1	2001	2000
Jumbo	0	0	0	13
Extra Large	305	0	305	303
Large	500	2,350	2,840	5,280
Medium	0	0	0	360
Ungraded	750	2,310	3,750	4,620
Misc	0	0	787	750
Total	1,555	4,660	7,682	11,326

/1 Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch in cooperation with Agriculture Canada, Pltry Development Div.

**CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN**

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

26-JAN-2001

**CHICKEN**

— PRICES ——— VOLUME ———  
(Cents per Pound)

FAT	CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS					

RANGE	-	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE					

**CHICKEN, WITH SKIN ADDED**

— PRICES ——— VOLUME ———  
(Cents per Pound)

FAT	CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS					

RANGE	-	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE					

**15-20%**

RANGE	16.00-20.00	10.50-13.50	1,876,800	1,060,800	
WTD AVERAGE	19.02	11.50			

**20% OR MORE**

RANGE	-	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE					

\* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

**LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION** W/E 20-JAN-01  
**(PRELIMINARY) U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY**

(THOUSANDS)	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	1,787	1,376	3,163
LAST WEEK	1,971	1,245	3,216
SAME WEEK YR AGO	2,030	1,229	3,259
TO-DATE/2001	5,119	3,393	8,512
TO-DATE/2000	6,186	4,138	10,324

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA**

(THOUSANDS)	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	591	7	598
LAST WEEK	500	13	513
SAME WEEK YR AGO	663	0	663
TO-DATE/2001	1,504	20	1,524
TO-DATE/2000	1,544	0	1,544

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

**TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA**

(THOUSANDS)	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	2,378	1,383	3,761
LAST WEEK	2,471	1,258	3,729
SAME WEEK YR AGO	2,693	1,229	3,922
TO-DATE/2001	6,623	3,413	10,036
TO-DATE/2000	7,730	4,138	11,868

**EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN**

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

26-JAN-2001

**CHICKEN**

— PRICES ——— VOLUME ———  
(Cents per Pound)

FAT	CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS					

RANGE	20.00	-	260,000	260,000	
WTD AVERAGE	20.00				

**CHICKEN, WITH SKIN ADDED**

— PRICES ——— VOLUME ———  
(Cents per Pound)

FAT	CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS					

RANGE	15.50-20.00	15.00-17.00	896,000	208,000	
WTD AVERAGE	16.26	16.08			

**15-20%**

RANGE	14.50-20.00	11.00-14.00	1,699,000	499,000	
WTD AVERAGE	17.08	12.24			

**20% OR MORE**

RANGE	-	11.00	160,000	-	-
WTD AVERAGE		11.00			

\* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 26 JANUARY 2001.**

Undertone steady to barely steady on 4-8 lb. breasts, fresh destrapped tenderloins and full-cut wings; steady to firm on frozen destrapped tenderloins; thigh meat barely steady to weak; frozen mechanically separated turkey (MST) and tails steady; drums steady to fully steady; necks fully steady. Demand in full range on 4-8 lb. breasts, mostly light to fair. Bulk parts demand was slow to fair, breast meat and destrapped tenderloins continued active. Domestic trading was heavy on 4-8 lb. breasts, fair on frozen tom breast meat, balance light. Frozen yearling hen breast meat traded at 145 and a part load of plant grade basted 18-20 lb. breasts traded at 110 cents delivered. The export market was active on tom drums and frozen MST for January-February shipments, balance light. Livers traded at 16, hen drums 22 and frozen tom breast meat 150 cents delivered port for export. Line run fresh 20 lb. and heavier canner pack trading fair at 55 cents delivered.

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 2001****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)	WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICE	WEEKLY VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	21.00-23.00		21.27	956	21.51	2,160
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	20.50		20.50	80	20.00	534
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	25.00	312	25.13	416
TAILS		T	19.50	104	19.50	104
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	15.00	M	15.00	1,660	15.10	2,360
			68.50	80	68.50	80

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 2001****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	21.00-23.00		22.04	804
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	18.00-21.50		19.78	340
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	25.00		25.00	312
TAILS		T	19.50	104
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	15.00-16.00	M	15.26	620
			68.50	80

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2001****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		M	21.00	400
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	20.00-21.00		20.30	114
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	25.50		25.50	104
TAILS		T	19.50	104
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	16.00	M	16.00	80
			68.50	80

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2000****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS			21.00	400
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		M	21.50	104
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	25.83	312
TAILS	19.50	W	19.50	104
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		M	68.50	80

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2000****EXPORT TRADING**

	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	21.00		21.00	400
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS		R	21.50	104
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		W	25.83	312
TAILS		F	20.00	56
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 2/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	68.00-69.00		68.50	80

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Product contains 15-20% fat with skin added.

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Type	Week Ending January 20, 2001 (000)		Year-To-Date (000)	
	2001	2000/1	2001	2000
Liquid	91	165	290	472
Frozen	0	0	0	0
Dried	0	0	0	0
Total	91	165	290	472

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Type	Week Ending January 20, 2001 (000)		Year-To-Date (000)	
	2001	2000/1	2001	2000
Liquid	59	104	126	263
Frozen	26	4	47	11
Dried	15	0	40	82
Total	100	108	213	356

**Inspected Shell Eggs****U.S. Exports to Canada, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)**

	Week Ending January 20, 2001		Year-To-Date	
	2001	2000/1	2001	2000
Jumbo	0	0	0	13
Extra Large	300	50	605	353
Large	1,540	1,550	4,380	6,830
Medium	750	0	750	360
Ungraded	0	780	3,750	5,400
Misc	0	0	787	750
Total	2,590	2,380	10,272	13,706

/1 Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch in cooperation with Agriculture Canada, Poultry Development Division.  
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